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Chemical Workers Ordered To Halt Organizing Effort In Watsonville Freeze Plant

In a direct order to the International Chemical Workers Union, William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, last week ordered this union to "desist and withdraw from any attempt whatever to organize employees" at the Western Frozen Foods Co. plant in Watsonville.

Warehousemen and Teamsters Union 890 at present holds contract with the Western Frozen Foods Co. plant and pickets patrolled before the plant last week in an effort to prevent the Chemical Workers, also an AFL union, from making inroads in the jurisdictional dispute which has run the gamut in so-called "raiding" and jurisdictional disputes with the National Labor Relations Board also called in.

Peter A. Andrade, secretary-treasurer of Local 890, in a statement last week charged: "The company admits through its settlement of an agreement with the NLRB that it has violated sub-sections 1 and 5 of Section 8 of the National Labor Relations Act which covers intimidation, coercion and restraint of employees as well as refusal to bargain collectively."

"Notices have been posted by the government board in the plant, instructing all superintending employees to cease and desist from further interference with the activities of a legitimate union."

The Board also ordered that the company-fostered union be dissolved immediately."

Green's telegram to Local 890 announcing that the Chemical Workers had been ordered to halt activity at the Watsonville plant, was as follows:

NOTICE I. A. T. S. E. MEMBERS

Motion Picture Operators' Union 611 (IATSE) is now holding membership meetings on the first Tuesday of each month. All members are urged to note this change from the bi-monthly meeting schedule. Next meeting will be December 4.

JAMES WILSON, Bus. Agt.

Injunction Holds Up Ryan Contracts with Longshore Employers

New York City

The rank-and-file committee of the International Longshoremen's Association won a temporary injunction in supreme court barring ILA Pres. Joseph P. Ryan from signing a contract with the shipping owners without approval of the membership.

"Forty-five days prior to the expiration of our contract with Western Frozen Foods Co. Oct. 27, this union served notice on the company that it desired to open the contract and upon a favorable reply, our demands were made in writing. These demands included minimum wage for women of 90 cents per hour; approximate increase of 25 percent for all classifications across the board, as well as a union security clause, better vacation clause and a great improvement over the present seniority clause."

"Immediately thereafter, Mr. Provost, representing Western Frozen Foods, petitioned NLRB for an injunction.

Outland Leads Fight for Full Employment Measure; Warns of Next Depression

Pleading for "some straight thinking on the relationship between government spending and full employment," Cong. George E. Outland, chairman of the House committee of 103 members backing the Full Employment Bill, led the floor fight for the adoption of the measure last Monday morning.

Outland, in a fighting speech, said in part:

"The issue in the Murray Bill, is not whether there is to be government spending or no government spending. It is a choice between judicious expenditures now to prevent depression and to increase national income and productivity, or unproductive emergency expenditures later on to keep people from starving."

"Never before in this country have we written into law the basic human right to work. Never before have we stated as a national economic objective the existence of job opportunity for all who are able to work and seeking work. And never before have we pledged the resources of the nation to the realization of that goal."

"If money is required in this impending battle against depression and unemployment . . . by this bill we will have pledged ourselves to inform and spend."

LANDHOGS SABOTAGE CV PLANS

(Release from Office of State Federation of Labor)

San Francisco, Calif.

A new, concerted movement by big business interests in California to hamstring the Central Valley Project's public benefits has come to the attention of the Federation.

Three statewide groups, whose ideas of post-war prosperity do not go beyond their own interests, have sent appeals to all California congressmen and state legislators for the state to "take over" the entire project. Originating the petition were the State Chamber of Commerce, the California Water Council and the Irrigation Districts Association of California.

The latter two are dominated by the large landowners of Southern California.

LAND BARONS' PROGRAM

The idea behind this proposal is to evade the "general welfare" clauses of the Federal set-up—in order to hamstring development of public, low-cost power in California and to provide free water for the tremendous holdings of the land-barons by nullifying the Reclamation Laws.

This movement is a serious threat to the people of California. Public power is needed to provide industrial jobs, and the Reclamation Laws are the guarantee of our friends, the working farmers.

UNIONS URGED TO HELP

Secretary Haggerty urges Central Councils and locals to present their position on this issue to the state senators and assemblymen from their district. Here is a sample letter:

We wish to inform you of our continuing support of the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation as the proper agency for planning and development of the Central Valley Project. We have the deepest loyalty concerning the good faith of those persons and groups who advocate state control of the project, and in no way share their fears that our interests will in some way be neglected through Federal development. On the contrary, we entertain such fears about state control, and consider that only the Federal Government is capable of a development which will provide us in California with a physical basis for prosperity.

Similar letters should also go to members of Congress, since a state control bill is to be introduced into the House during the current session.

Capitalist Says Pay Living Wage Or Shut Up Shop

Washington, D. C.

Unless a manufacturer can pay a living wage to his workers he has no right to employ them, the Senate labor subcommittee was told.

The statement came from Chairman Robert W. Johnson of Johnson & Johnson, Brunswick, N.J., surgical dressings corporation, who said "man does not have the right to employ his fellow man unless he can pay a subsistence wage."

He suggested the committee "should take the position that the average American workman cannot keep body and soul together on less than \$30 a week anywhere in the U.S."

"On the basis of a 40-hour week, therefore, I am compelled to recommend a 75¢ per hour minimum," Johnson was testifying in favor of the 65¢ minimum wage bill.

The manufacturer also advocated reduction of the basic work week from 40 hours to 36 in some fields and to 30 hours in others.

Chicago Typos Get Important Strike Gains

Chicago, Illinois

Winning its 3-week strike, the Chicago Typographical Union has secured outstanding gains in working conditions. They get a 7½-hour day now, a 7½-hour day in four months, night operator scale of \$71.15, day operator scale of \$67.20, a minimum of \$65.80 for floormen, double time for all work after end of work week, another week's vacation.

Hell of a Note

CHAIRMAN AT CONCERT (to village constable) — What's the trouble?

VILLAGE CONSTABLE — We received a phone message at the station that somebody named Schubert was being murdered here.

"More specifically, the guarantee is backed by the manifold powers of the Government . . . to tax and borrow, to regulate and encourage, to inform and spend."

Appeal Board Issues Rules On Insurance

By GRACE McDONALD

Secretary, California Farmer-Labor-Consumer Association

A year ago, when the threat of disastrous war inflation had been successfully averted by a working coalition of progressive farm organizations, labor and consumer groups, those who initiated and supported the movement in California asked ourselves the question: "Can we make this voluntary alliance into a permanent body for post-war unity and mutual assistance?"

The answer of representatives who gathered at Tiny's restaurant in San Jose, Nov. 30, 1944, was unanimous. Farm leaders felt they had learned a lot from association with labor leaders. The consumer co-ops had come out of their purely business shell and found that farmers and organized labor believed in cooperation as a post-war defense against monopolies. A new, 12-point program was adopted, with finances underwritten by state and local supporting organizations. The decision was made to concentrate first on saving the Central Valley Project — water and power—for the people of California. At the same time we determined to be on guard against attacks on working farmers, labor and cooperative organizations and to unite these forces wherever and whenever constructive opportunities developed.

Others GET BENEFITS

On the other hand, members of unions who were unemployed prior to the strike, which commenced March 12 of this year, and who have sent unemployment insurance claims either prior or subsequent to that date, may be paid benefits.

Members of the Board, Toland C. McGettigan, of Santa Rosa, chairman, Michael B. Kunz, Sacramento, and Edgar E. Lampton, Los Angeles, said two other types of claimants are involved.

One is the group which failed to file appeals in conformity with the time provisions in the Unemployment Insurance Act, and these automatically are denied benefits.

The other group, on which decisions are yet to be made, involves steadily employed claimants who received termination notices from their employers prior to a hearing by the National Labor Relations Board on the subject of union jurisdiction.

Document Shows 20 Per Cent Pay Hikes Can Still Leave Dividends

Washington, D. C.

President Harry Truman has been presented with a documented report showing that U. S. industry can grant a 20 per cent increase in wages and still keep profits, after taxes at a level twice as high as it enjoyed in the period of 1936-39.

This survey was given to the chief executive by the advisory committee of the Office of War Mobilization and Reconstruction. Big Business, as represented by the Wall Street Journal, reported that the

government is about ready to back a wage-price policy calculated to squeeze as much as 35 per cent out of the 1946 profits of corporations."

Similars letters should also go to members of Congress, since a state control bill is to be introduced into the House during the current session.

This is largely a public relations job. Al Green, A. F. of L. vice-president, Modesto, told the last Executive Committee meeting in San Jose how his unions in the valley were meeting the issue. We decided to follow Al's lead and go to the farmers, in leaflets, with speakers, and on the radio, with labor's message.

Farmers, especially those in California areas which produce specialty crops, are going to need a lift, as well as labor. If prunes, raisins and citrus pile up unsold, farm income will bog down and farm mortgages will shoot up.

With subsidies removed there may be a drop of as much as 45% in prune growers' "take home pay."

Minimum wages for labor which we will ask farmers to support, need to be balanced by a realistic price guarantee for farm produce, a guarantee which is based on a living wage for farm labor.

These are just a few of the issues which the California Farmer-Labor-Consumer Association is planning to work alongside the Central Valley Project. When local unions who contributed to the Association last year get our 1946 request for continued financial support don't forget that George Sehlmeyer of the Grange went on the air a year ago against Proposition

The settlement gives local drivers a 5¢ hourly raise, with a top minimum of \$1.02½ an hour, or \$7.60 to \$8.20 a day. This is 5 per cent more than they were getting, but a previous War Labor Board award had given them another 5 per cent.

Station employees get a flat \$10 weekly raise, an average 30 per cent increase, since the average weekly wage has been \$33. Those working a 40-hour week will get an additional 15 per cent, while those reduced from 48 to 40 hours will get the 15 per cent when reduction is made.

Long distance drivers—chief bone of contention in the strike—will now get a 10½ per cent raise in mileage pay as soon as new speed schedules are set up, about Nov. 5, or 5¼¢ a mile instead of the present 4¢. This will mean a \$5 to \$6 raise over the present average of \$50 to \$60 a week. The strike had affected 2700 employees in seven western states.

Re-drilling of the oil well at Moss Landing has been started by an all-union crew, reports J. B. McGinley, Salinas representative of the Monterey County Building Trades Council.

Other work in this area includes some steel sheds going up at the Permanente plant at Moss Landing, sheds which will house new machinery to be installed soon. All building craftsmen in the Salinas area are busy, McGinley added, and more men could be used.

Failure: Something you can accomplish without effort.

Growing Understanding Between Farm and Labor Forces Leads To Richer Post-War California

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The job ahead is to drive home the goal of full production of essential goods, food and services as a post-war must, both to farmers, business and labor.

Farm leaders and labor leaders in many states have resolved on these general objectives. In California we have gone much farther. We are actually in harness driving the plow and throttle together. Every local union should be in some sector of this joint campaign. Your contribution, large or small, will pay big dividends starting today. If you have not seen our Program for Action, write for it.

Organized labor won a substantial victory in the special city election at Salinas, Tuesday, when voters upheld a city zoning ordinance to allow a five million dollar business and residential development on South Main Street at the edge of town.

The vote on upholding the ordinance, which originally had been adopted by a split vote of city councilmen, was: yes, 1561; no, 1040. A special election had been forced by opponents to the zoning and the unusually heavy vote showed how Salinas citizens favor expansion.

Labor groups, headed by the Monterey City General Labor Union at Salinas, had supported the proposed development and George Harter, council secretary, and J. B. McGinley, Salinas representative of the Monterey County Building Trades Council, had campaigned actively for the project.

Opponents to the zoning had been quoted as confident that the project would not be allowed, that voters were not in favor of changing the business district, and that labor groups had been split on the matter. The strong favorable vote, therefore, is a victory for labor as well as for other proponents of a greater Salinas.

It is possible that your report day may be changed during the course of your claim. WHY? Because of the fact that the average worker's employment is terminated at the end of a calendar week, and hence a majority of workers contact local offices of the Department on Monday and Tuesday of the following week. It is, therefore, necessary for the Department to continually shift the load from Monday and Tuesday and spread it equally over the days of the week.

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

—Each time you file your claim for unemployment insurance you will be assigned a "report day and hour" on which you will be requested to report for claim purposes. For your own convenience you should report on the day and hour assigned as it will mean saving your time and enable the local office staff to render more efficient and quicker service.

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CREDIT FOR EARNINGS

From your reported earnings a credit of \$3.00 is deducted from the even \$12.00 leaving \$9.00 which would be deducted from his weekly benefit amount of \$20.00 and the worker would receive a check for \$11.00.

FOR EXAMPLE: Suppose during a seven-day period a worker whose weekly benefit amount is \$20.00 reports he earned \$12.65. A credit of \$3.00 would be deducted from the even \$12.00 leaving \$9.00 which would be deducted from his weekly benefit amount of \$20.00 and the worker would receive a check for \$11.00.

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

—Each time you file a benefit claim for a week of unemployment, you must sign a statement which appears on the certification card reading as follows:

"I certify that during the seven consecutive day period for which I am now filing a continued claim for unemployment insurance: I was unemployed, able to work and available for work, and hereby register for work with the California Department of Employment; I did not refuse an offer of suitable work; and I have truthfully reported all wages that were or are payable to me for the period for which I am now filing. I further certify that I have not received, and am not seeking, unemployment insurance for any part of the period covered by this claim under another state or Federal Unemployment Insurance System."

EARNINGS MUST BE REPORTED

—Whenever a worker is unemployed and earns less than his weekly benefit amount through part-time work or reduced time and earnings with his regular employer, such earnings must be reported when the worker signs the certification statement regarding his seven days of unemployment.

One day each month the committee will make the rounds of the plant with the safety engineer, surveying to determine if improvements are necessary for added safety in plant operation. Reports will be made to the company and corrections where necessary have been promised.

Failure to report such earnings may result in a penalty of 1 to 5 weeks disqualification provided for in Section 58(d) of the Act, (after Sept. 15, 1945), as well as prosecu-

THE PRESIDENT BACKS LABOR'S PAY PROGRAM

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BRINGING UP THE REAR

For a long time we have been regaled with the spectacle of the United States and Britain refusing to recognize governments in Eastern Europe, and then finally doing the very thing they swore they would not do. First case was Yugoslavia under Tito.

Next case was Poland. They wouldn't recognize the Lublin government. It was practically as "broad" before as it is now, yet they insisted on tossing a bone to the diehard London group, and now Poland is recognized.

Next case was Austria. The Renner government, they said, smacked too much of Soviet puppetry. Time dragged, but now the Renner government is not only being recognized but is asked to embrace other occupation zones of the country.

They still holler about Roumania and Bulgaria. When the dust settles they'll probably find the governments there represent the masses of the people, even if they don't coddle Nazi collaborators, henchmen of Big Biz and royal parasites.

Meantime, neither Britain or the United States is doing anything about getting British troops out of Greece where arms are being used to bolster monarchists and semi-fascists.

No wonder Mr. Molotov is "stubborn!"

THE GRAY 'WISE BOYS'

Recently we were glad to run a laudatory review of Henry Wallace's "60 Million Jobs" in this paper. Stuart Chase, veteran American economist, discussed this vital book in *The Nation*. We think he hit the nail squarely on the head in this excerpt:

"Mr. Wallace has given us the handbook for the American road to full employment. The wise boys, as I said earlier, are already beginning to laugh him off. They are the same boys who have been having one good laugh after another for almost twenty years."

"In 1927 they laughed off the stock market and said it could not go higher."

"In 1929 they said prosperity was here to stay."

"In 1930 they said it would be back in sixty days."

"In 1935 they said inflation, caused by an unbalanced budget, was about to ruin us."

"At the same time they said a national debt of \$50 billion would mark the end of the world, that the unemployed were bums and loafers, and that taxes were at a level no man could stand."

"In 1940 they said it was ridiculous for Mr. Roosevelt to dream of building 50,000 planes a year."

"In 1941 they said the OPA couldn't hold down prices, and free-born Americans would never stand for such regimentation anyway."

"And now they say we can't have full employment. The same unreconstructed wise boys—only a little grayer."

One of the most pitiful things in our society is the free-enterprise tycoon who thinks the world will blow up without an apple-cart economy. More pitiful still will be the workers if they stand for it!

ACTION BETTER THAN TALK

You can get some idea of how progressive the United States Chamber of Commerce is on social security matters if you know that last July a mail ballot of its member organizations on several questions of public policy showed a vote of 2,653 to 32 against Federal health legislation. One of our readers, who recently reminded us of this development, says that it is a very good reason for labor to get busy to *push* the program.

There are two ways to get it—by putting the pressure on Congress to get the Wagner-Murray-Dingell bill passed, or putting an *initiative* on the California ballot. United labor in this state can write compulsory health insurance into our statutes through the initiative method. We have the political power and the members to get signatures. The people of the state will support it. Why not do it?

NO, NO—NOT THAT!

Senator Harvey M. Kilgore of West Virginia is urging that 42 leading German industrialists be punished as war criminals because they were "the backbone of Nazism from the start." We heartily applaud the suggestion. We would go further. We suggest that the top officials of several large American corporations that entered the secret deals with these same German industrialists, thus making it easier for Germany to wage aggressive war, be considered accessories and be tried along with the German tycoons. Without the deals made by American, British and French capitalists with the financiers and industrialists of Germany, there would have been no World War 2. We realize, of course, that what we suggest is just plain silly for, after all business is business—even though it plunges the world into a blood-bath!

GOOD WAY TO BEGIN

Before the war the Japanese had more than 15,000 co-operative societies with nearly 7 million members, nearly half the families of the nation. If the McArthur policy of encouraging democracy is to succeed he can do no better than to help in the reorganization of the co-operatives.

Scharrenberg Reveals Huge Payroll Drop In Shipyards

San Francisco, Calif.

Following a meeting held for the interchange of information on the current labor market situation in the San Francisco Bay Industrial Area, Paul Scharrenberg, state director of Industrial Relations, James G. Bryant, Chairman of the California Employment Stabilization Commission, and Charles F. B. Roeth, acting state director of the United States Employment Service, Northern California, issued the following joint statement:

Mr. Scharrenberg announced that "more than one-third of the shipbuilding production force in private shipyards in the San Francisco Bay Industrial Area (Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo counties) was laid off during the month following Japan's surrender. Wage earners in the Area's shipbuilding industry numbered 50,500 in September compared with 79,000 in August and 185,200 in the peak month of June 1943. In contrast to the August-September trend in private shipyards, employment in the Hunters Point government yard decreased only moderately during this period.

MOSTLY IN YARDS

"Although sharp reductions were recorded in the iron and steel and machinery industries, the heavy contraction in the shipbuilding industry was primarily responsible for the employment decline between August and September of this year in all manufacturing industries combined. Manufacturing industries as a whole employed 151,100 production workers this September, down 32,500, or 18 per cent, from August. The number of factory employees in September was approximately half the wartime peak of 300,900 in August 1943.

"The cutbacks in shipbuilding resulted in a 29 per cent decrease between August and September in the number of wage earners in durable goods industries as a whole."

Bye, Bye Ceilings!

New York City. Two girls were dragged off to jail recently for pitching a tent on Boston Common, veterans have been demanding the right to build shacks for their families in Central Park in New York, hundreds of frantic appeals for apartments—any size, anywhere, any price—fill the classified ads.

These are symptoms of the worst housing shortage ever foisted on this nation, and they're only the beginning. Unless decisive action is taken quickly, watch for a rebirth of the old Hoovervilles—slum communities of tents and shacks that mushroom in deserted lots, along river banks, on the outskirts of town.

Only to bring the story up to date, these new housing projects should be called Snydervilles in tribute to Reconversion Director John W. Snyder, whose actions thus far have endeared him solely to the real estate interests.

PRICE CEILINGS VITAL

The way to solve the housing crisis is not just to insure greatly expanded new construction, as Snyder has done, but to make sure that new homes are moderately priced and that price ceilings are set by legislation on both new and old homes. It won't help the veterans or thousands of other home seekers if there are apartments available—but at prices they can't afford.

The inflationary effects of Snyder's initial order dropping all wartime controls on construction is already being felt. A page 1 story in the Wall Street Journal recently announces, Rents Are Going Up! and predicts that an ordinary 3-room apartment which used to rent for \$60 a month or less will bring at least \$90 to \$100 a month in the new apartment houses. JUST A FORETASTE

And those rentals are just a foretaste of what will happen generally if industry wins in its fight against OPA price ceilings on existing dwellings. Snyder is reported sitting up nights trying to determine whether to bow to the landlords' demands for dumping all housing price controls or to heed the good advice of OPA officials who are calling for legislation against real estate inflation. Organized labor can help him make up his mind by writing to him and their congressmen urging them to legislate price controls on housing.

And as one deer said to another: "What's your fawn number, Baby?"

THE MARCH OF LABOR

"THE WORKER HAS THE RIGHT TO REFUSE TO WORK; THAT IS, TO STRIKE, AND TO INDUCE BY PEACEFUL AND LAWFUL METHODS OTHERS TO STRIKE WITH HIM!"

WILLIAM CARDINAL O'NEILL

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Our Yearly Who Dunnit?

About a year ago I threw caution to the four winds and at a reckless risk of reputation listed what I thought were the fifty or so best-written and most entertaining of the popular reprints of murder and mystery fiction. I didn't get any brickbats, so I assume that most of our readers, to a greater or lesser extent, are also victims of what our high-brow professors call a "low habit."

If you wait until the best ones appear in the 25-cent reprint form, it doesn't cost you much to find out which are good and which are bad. However, only about 5 per cent of the output of the publishing firms specializing in this type of story is definitely 4-star and much of the remainder is neither well plotted nor well written. Mystery fiction has become big business. The market is tremendous. Those who climb into the Christie, Hammett, Stout, Queen, Woolrich, Gardner class literally clean up and would-be writers are legion. Result is flooding of the market with trainloads of trash. The best reprints are being put out by Pocketbooks, Penguin, Popular, Dell, Avon and Mercury, although the Mercury people often spoil good ones by "cutting." The other five reprint the whole original book. At any rate here, from my point of view, are the tops in blood, thunder, mystery and sleuthing in reprints that I have run across the last year. The ones in capital letters are particularly outstanding. Here they are:

Man Who Didn't Exist, Holmes (Dell); The Bride Wore Black, Woolrich (Pocketbooks); Moonlight Sailing, Blochman (Dell); And Then There Were None, Christie (Pocketbooks); TINSLEY'S BONES, Wilde (Mercury); Man Who Murdered Goliath (Dell); Mysterious Affair at Styles, Christie (Avon); I WOULDNT BE IN YOUR SHOES, Irish (Mercury).

Murder In Retrospect, Christie (Mercury); Adventures of Sam Spade, Hammett (Mercury); My Own Murderer, Hull (Penguin); The DAIN CURSE, Hammett (Pocketbooks); Death for A Top Hat, Rawson (Dell); A Talent for Murder, Wells (Dell); Curtains for the Editor, Polksy (Dell); THE MALTESE FALCON, Hammett (Pocketbooks); BLACK PLUMES, Allingham (Penguin); The Iron Rents, Kendrick (Dell); THE CAMERA CLUE, Coxe (Dell).

Evil Under the Sun, Christie (Pocketbooks); The Affairs of the Scarlet Crab, Knight (Dell); TRENT'S LAST CASE, Bentley (Pocketbooks); Murder for Christmas, (Mercury); ONCE OFF GUARD, Wallis (Mercury); THE BIG SWAN, Woolrich (Mercury); THE BISHOP MURDER CASE, Van Dine (Pocketbooks); The Boomerang Clue, Christie (Dell); THE WHISPERING CUP, Seelye (Popular); THE LAUGHING FOX, Gruber (Penguin); The Dead Can Tell, Reilly (Dell).

CALAMITY TOWN, Queen (Pocketbooks); Having Wonderful Crime, Rice (Pocketbooks); THE BIG SLEEP, Chandler (Avon); The Golden Swan Murder, Disney (Dell); MURDER BY AN ARISTOCRAT, Eberhart (Penguin); THE THIN MAN, Hammett (Pocketbooks); DONOVAN'S BRAIN, (Mercury).

DYNAMITE ON OUR DOORSTEP, by Wenzell Brown, Published by Greenberg—Publisher, 409 Madison Avenue, New York 17, N. Y. Price \$2.75.

As one deer said to another: "What's your fawn number, Baby?"

GIGGLES AND GROANS

LIFE'S SUPREME TRAGEDY

In the pa'my WPA days of the New Deal, the government had a program for building new "two and three hoisters" for farmers in some districts if the farmers would furnish the materials. It is said that sometimes the "brigades" got the roles too small, sometimes too large, sometimes cut them square, and sometimes forgot about the openings entirely.

It seems that on one of the farms in Amanda township, Ohio, the WPA Chie Sale brigade forgot and destroyed the old outhouse before a new one was built. Just as the workmen started work on the new one they were called to Lima to receive instructions on some other project and forgot to return. This left the family in a terrible predicament. The wife and mother was so burned up about it that she sent the following letter to Washington:

"MR. PRESIDENT AND THE NEW DEAL: If you were a woman with a big family and lived on a farm; if your nearest neighbor lived one mile away; if the closest woods were one-half mile away; if you had no outbuildings of any kind; if your garden and back yard were full of burrs and thistles; if a bunch of workmen came along and tore down your old privy and forgot to build a new one, just what you do?—Signed, IN DISTRESS."

Following is the telegram the harassed woman received: "The New Deal has made and is making some terrible mistakes. Yours is the dirtiest one that has come to our attention. In the future play safe. Always have growing in a lot close to your house a thick batch of tall Kansas sun flowers, so in case of an emergency or storm, you will have some place to take refuge.—Signed, NEW DEAL."

LOVE ENRICHED

Pfc. John P. Gallagher, Co. F, 119th Infantry, came across a supply of postcards depicting beautiful flowers, and decided the German inscription read "To My Sweetheart, the fairest flower of all flowers." So he sent one home to his girl.

Later, Gallagher captured an English-speaking German and asked him to translate the inscription. It read: "Without manure, you cannot get large blooms."

THERE ARE LIMITS

A bishop who was staying at a rather gay country house, came down to breakfast and found a little girl in the room alone.

"Good morning," said the bishop, "Can you say the Lord's Prayer?"

The little girl promptly replied, "Yes, sir," and said it.

"Very good," said the bishop.

"Do you know the Commandments?"

The little girl immediately repeated them.

"That is excellent," boomed the bishop, "Now do you know the Catechism?"

To which the exasperated child replied: "Damn it all, who the hell do you think I am? I'm only seven!"

TOUGH RACKET NOW

GRUFF FATHER (to son)— Why don't you get out and find a job? When I was your age I was working for \$5 a week in a shop, and at the end of five years I owned the shop.

SON— You can't do that nowadays. They have cash registers.

NATURAL EXPLANATION

Pfc. Harold Gordon, orderly room clerk, asked the first sergeant for permission to take a short break to attend to a very important but mysterious personal matter. He returned in a quarter of an hour with red smudges around his mouth. When the top kick pointed this out, Gordon thought for a moment and said: "My Good Conduct Ribbon must have run."

NIL ON DECIMES

A medical officer, aged 52, was figuring out the point system, with the hope that he could get out of the army. After careful consideration of the actual facts, namely: no overseas service, no bronze stars, no decorations, 3 children over 18, he yelled in frustration: "Well, I guess the War Department caught me with my points down!"

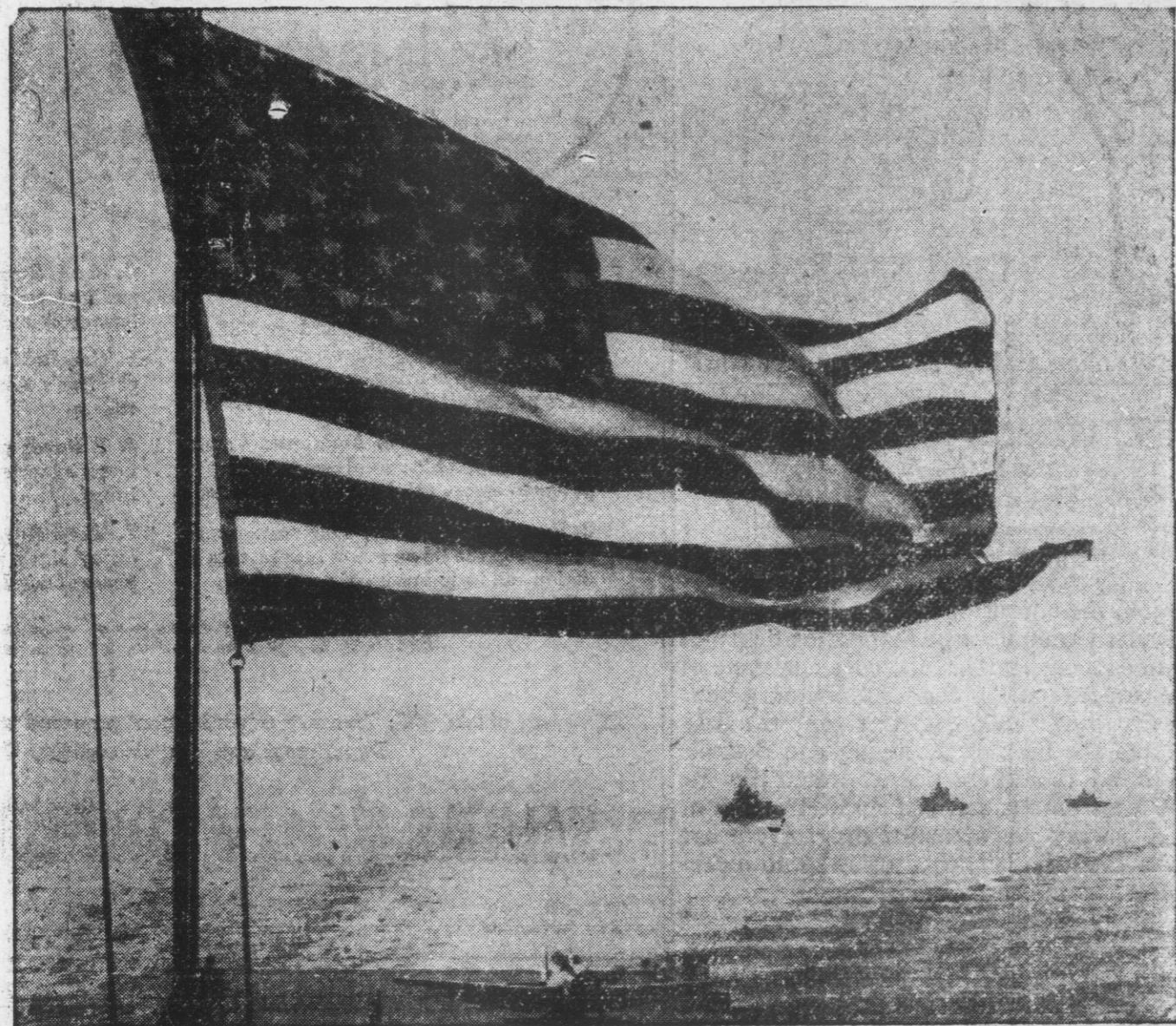
POOR POP

"Good morning, madam. I'm from the gas company. I understand there's something in the house that won't work."

"Yes,

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A Pledge for all of us



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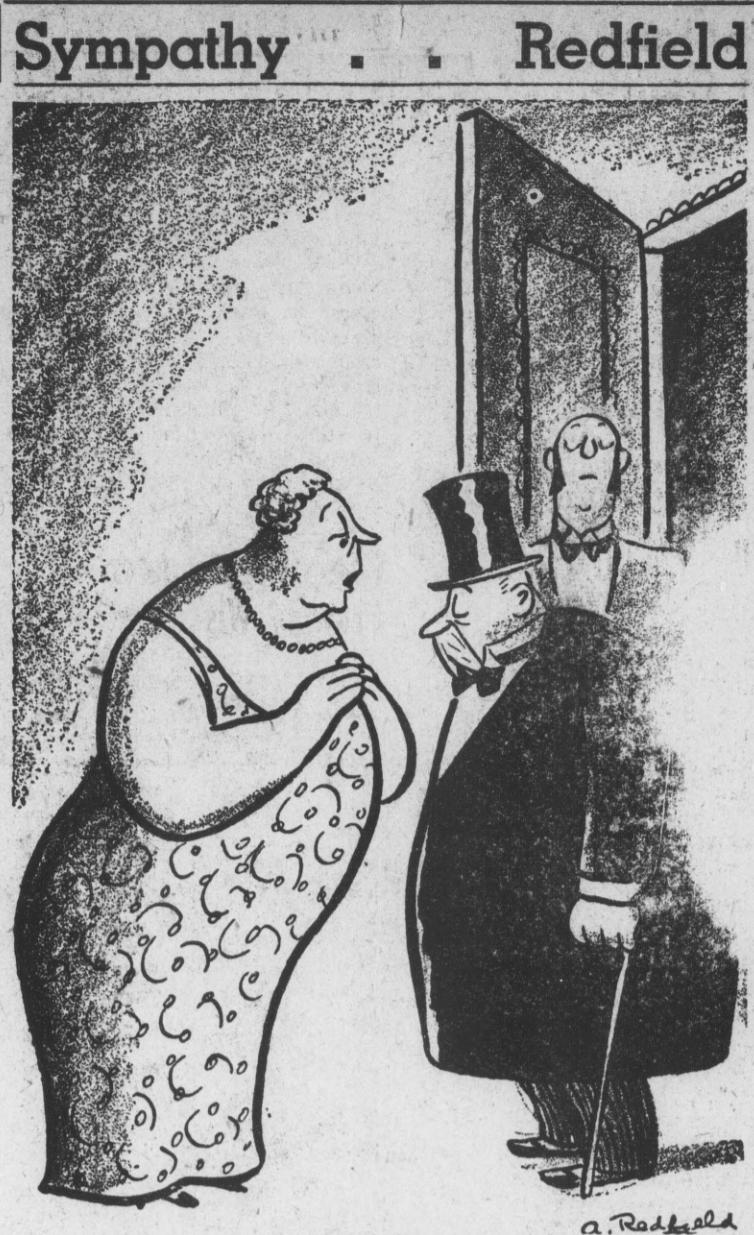
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The Germans destroyed, completely or partly, 1700 towns, 70,000 villages, 6 million buildings and deprived 25 million people of shelter.

The Germans demolished 31,850 industrial enterprises in which 4 million workers had been employed. They destroyed or carried away 233,000 electric motors, 175,000 metal-cutting lathes. They destroyed about 10,000 miles of railway track, over 4000 railway stations, 35,000 post and telegraph offices and telephone exchanges. They destroyed 40,000 hospitals and medical institutions, 84,000 general and special schools, 3,000 public libraries.

The Germans ruined and looted 98,000 collective farms, nearly 2000 state farms, nearly 3000 machine-tractor stations. They slaughtered, confiscated or drove off to Germany 7 million horses, 17 million cattle, 20 million hogs, 27 million sheep and goats, 110 million poultry.

The money value of all this damage is assessed at 679 billion rubles, or (in our money) about \$140 billion.

None of this takes in the murder of millions of Russian civilians, the enslaving of millions more, the killing and maiming of millions of Russian soldiers in driving the German invaders from their soil, the trail of starvation, malnutrition, tuberculosis and venereal diseases that the Nazi butchers left in their wake.

Figures are cold things, and it is easy to read a report like this lightly as we toss off our breakfast coffee. But try to picture the enormity of it, the pain, suffering, misery, anguish and heartache back of it. Then imagine what we Americans had experienced it instead of the Russians. Then pause a while and in all honesty ask yourself this question: "Can the Russians be blamed if they are now grimly determined that border countries shall never again be permitted to serve as springboards for further attacks?"

What goes on in Finland, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Roumania, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Turkey, Iran, Afghanistan, India, China and Japan is of vital interest to all the world, but it is literally a matter of life and death to Russia.

Dil Unions Warn Navy Dept. About Seizures

Washington, D. C. The U. S. Navy is warned by unions that unless it started making arrangements to bring the oil industry and its workers into negotiations for a new contract, the labor movement may become convinced that Navy seizure of the oil refineries "is merely a device for defeating the just demands of the oil workers."

San Diego Machinists Urge Ouster of Bilbo

San Diego, Calif. Impeachment of Sen. Theodore Bilbo (D., Miss.) is demanded in a petition circulated here by Lodge 1125, International Association of Machinists. The polittaxer is denounced for "carrying on fascist tirades against minority groups and ranting on about such revolting terms as nigger, dago and kike."

Settling Film Strike

Peace returned to Hollywood movie studios after striking AFL unions won victorious settlement of 35-week strike which saw large-scale violence against pickets. L. to r: Movie czar Eric Johnston, representing the producers and strike leader Herbert Sorrell, confer in Los Angeles, Calif., prior to strike settlement. (Federated Pictures).



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Washington, D. C. The best items on the menus of Washington's restaurants and hotels are now Victory Bonds. The Hotel and Restaurant Employees' Alliance—AFL, and the District of Columbia Hotel Association in co-operation with the D. C. War Finance committee will have all service members of the union selling bonds during their regular tour of duty. The period from Armistice Day through November 21 has been assigned as Hotel and Restaurant Employees' Victory Bond Week. All workers participating will be identified by lapel cards and will present to all diners a pledge form with a blank check attached. As an incentive to sales, the Hotel Association will offer War Bond prizes to employees selling the largest amount in bonds. In addition, the Hotel Alliance will offer three prizes to the three members leading in sales in the area.

HOPE TO BEAT RECORD

This is a repeat performance of one of the most successful promotions made during the Seventh War Loan drive. Total sales of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees' Week during that drive was \$321,000. Committee connected with the present promotion feel sure that the amount will be doubled during the Victory Loan drive.

The Labor Section, War Finance Division, U. S. Treasury has the endorsement of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees' International Alliance to organize similar promotions in other major cities with the co-operation of local's of the international union.

Mum's the Word!

DOCTOR: You'll have a different woman when your wife comes from the hospital.

HUSBAND: But what if my wife finds out?

Words Used to Catch The Unthinking Mass

Many years ago, in answer to the statement that every man has the inalienable right to work when he pleases, for whom he pleases, Clarence Darrow said: "The inalienable right to work means simply the inalienable right of the employer, without hindrance, to go out in the open market and bid for laborers on the hardest terms or, rather, to so order the industrial world that all men and women and children must bid against each other for a right to toil . . . All the right a laborer has under the law, or under present industrial methods, is the right to go from employer to employer in search of work. His right to work depends entirely on his ability to find someone who has the means and the inclination to hire him, and no matter how willing or anxious, he cannot force himself upon an employer, but he may be denied this inalienable right upon any reason or pretext no matter what . . . The inalienable right to work is a bit of birdlime, used to catch the unthinking mass . . ."

BOOKS for the CRAFTSMAN

MARINE AND AIR NAVIGATION, by John Q. Stewart and Newton Lacy Pierce. Published by Ginn and Company, 45 Second Street, San Francisco. Price \$4.61 (inc. State Tax).



"Boy, am I going to pock that Joe Steel on the beak if he gets tough!" announced Little Luther.

"Why, son, has he done anything to you?" asked Mr. Dilworth.

"Not yet," Little Luther admitted, "but if he does, am I going to give it to him! The stinker!"

"I thought," Mr. Dilworth said, "that he and Johnnie Atkins were the little boys who helped you beat up those two bullies who attacked you only a few months ago."

"Oh, sure, sure," Little Luther granted. "But that's all water over the dam now. I saw Joe talking to a couple of the kids in this last week and he didn't tell me what he said to them. Boy, am I going to get tough with him!"

"But Luther," persisted Mr. Dilworth, "I thought you boys had agreed to stick together to see those toughs didn't come back here and bother any of the kids on this street again."

"So we agreed," Little Luther snarled. "But I'm looking after myself, too, I think. I'll start a paper route on Joe's street, and boy, will I get tough with him! I'm going to train the kids on this street to fight, and I'm going to hide my new bat in my pants pocket!"

"Your ga, Luther!" Mr. Dilworth exclaimed.

"Yeah," said Little Luther, "I learned how to make one out of an old piece of pipe and a stick and it fires real bullets. But Joe doesn't know how to make one yet and I'm not going to tell him how, boy, am I going to get tough with him!"

"But Luther, this is an easier way for you to talk. I never knew you to go around with such a chip on your shoulder. Do you want to have street fights out in front of our house every day? You simply must learn how to get along with the other boys."

"That's not what you said," announced Little Luther, "when you read about the United States getting tough with the rest of the world, keeping its atom bomb secret and announcing it had a chip on both shoulders and double-dared anyone to knock them off. In fact . . ."

"That's an entirely different mate," Mr. Dilworth said. "Entirely. Now you just run along. I've suddenly got a nasty headache."

AIR CONDITIONING, HEATING AND VENTILATING, by J. Raúl Da Zell and Charles L. Hubbell. 571 Pages, 299 Illustrations. Price \$4.00. Published by American Technical Society, Industrial Division, Dept. 1-850 58th Street, Chicago 37, Ill.

In this modern book the principles and general application of steam, hot water, vapor, vacuum heating, together with air conditioning of all types of buildings, are dealt with thoroughly. "This is one of the most complete treatises on the subjects mentioned that have ever been placed before the public," comments the "Universal Engineer." The magazine "Combustion" lauds the book, and "Power Plant Engineering" says, "This is a clearly-written, well illustrated and thoroughly practical book . . . Principles and calculations have been simplified . . . Of special interest to plumbers, heating engineers, air conditioning specialists, sheet metal workers, and others."

STAIR BUILDING, by Gilbert Townsend. 200 Pages, 197 Illustrations. Price \$2.00. Published by American Technical Society, Industrial Division, Dept. 1-850 58th Street, Chicago 37, Ill.

Here is a book for both beginner and expert on the designing and building of modern stairs of various types. It deals with laying out strings, framing, using carriages and blocks, balusters, scroll brackets, return nosing, housed string, winders, bull-nose steps, headroom, stair widths and dimensions, stair finish, curved handrails, bevels, laying out handrails and face molds, and arrangement of stairs in the house plan. A close study of the book offers the builder the right answers to any stair building problem. The volume is praised by the American Builder, American Lumberman, and the Architectural Forum.

—AES.

She was so used to having things done for her that she married a man with three children.

Huge Drop in Factory Jobs In California

San Francisco, Calif. Factory employment in California manufacturing industries decreased almost 20 per cent during the month following Japan's surrender, Paul Scharenberg, director of Industrial Relations, announces. Wage earners numbered 515,300 in September compared with 639,600 in mid-August, 967,300 at the August 1943 peak, 967,300 in September 1941 and 317,000 in September 1939.

It's a Casket Union, But Live Organization

Philadelphia, Penn. Important gains for employees of the National Casket Co. have been won as the result of the first joint contract negotiations conducted by the Upholsterers' International Union for Local 569, East Cambridge, Mass.; Local 412, Baltimore, Md., and Local 1928, Asheville, N. C.

Millmen, Teamsters Win 4-Week Strike; Get Wage Increases

San Diego, Calif. A four weeks strike of AFL millmen and teamsters which tied up lumber companies ended here when the companies yielded to union demands for wage increases. The owners agreed to raise the lowest classifications—lumber handlers and warehousemen—from 87½¢ to \$1 an hour, and to increase all others 12 per cent across the board, thus boosting top classifications of millmen from \$1.23½¢ to \$1.38 an hour and of teamsters from \$1.13½¢ to \$1.27 an hour.

Approximately 350 men were involved in the strike.

Co-ops Continue to Grow in Wisconsin

Superior, Wisconsin. Seven new co-op dairy co-operatives are in various stages of organization in the area served by Central Co-operative Wholesale, Superior, Wis., head of CCW's field organization staff reports.

News Services Get All Mixed Up About John

Washington, D. C. The United Press and its competitor, Associated Press, can't get together about Pres. John L. Lewis and the United Mine Workers (unaffiliated).

UP reported that "a high official of the AFL forecast the return of John L. Lewis and his UMW to the AFL on or before January, 1946."

Immediately afterwards, AP wires carried story quoting AFL Press Director Philip Pearl as denying the report flatly, saying "no such statement has been issued and no such inference can be drawn from anything said or issued."

The Advertising Biddy

Once upon a time an enterprising ponyman crossed his horse with parrots, to save time. He used to spend much time hunting the eggs, but now the hens walk up to him and say, "Hank, I just laid an egg. Go get it."

Tobin Declares Temo Unions to Fight for Daily Milk Delivery

Cincinnati, Ohio. Pres. Daniel J. Tobin of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, attending the AFL executive council meeting here, said the union was "ready to go out" if necessary to enforce daily delivery of milk to homes after Nov. 1.

A federal regulation providing for every-other-day delivery, put into effect as a war measure in 1942, expired on that date. Discussions here between Tobin and Paul Porter, spokesman for the dairy industry, revealed the industry's reluctance to resume daily deliveries.

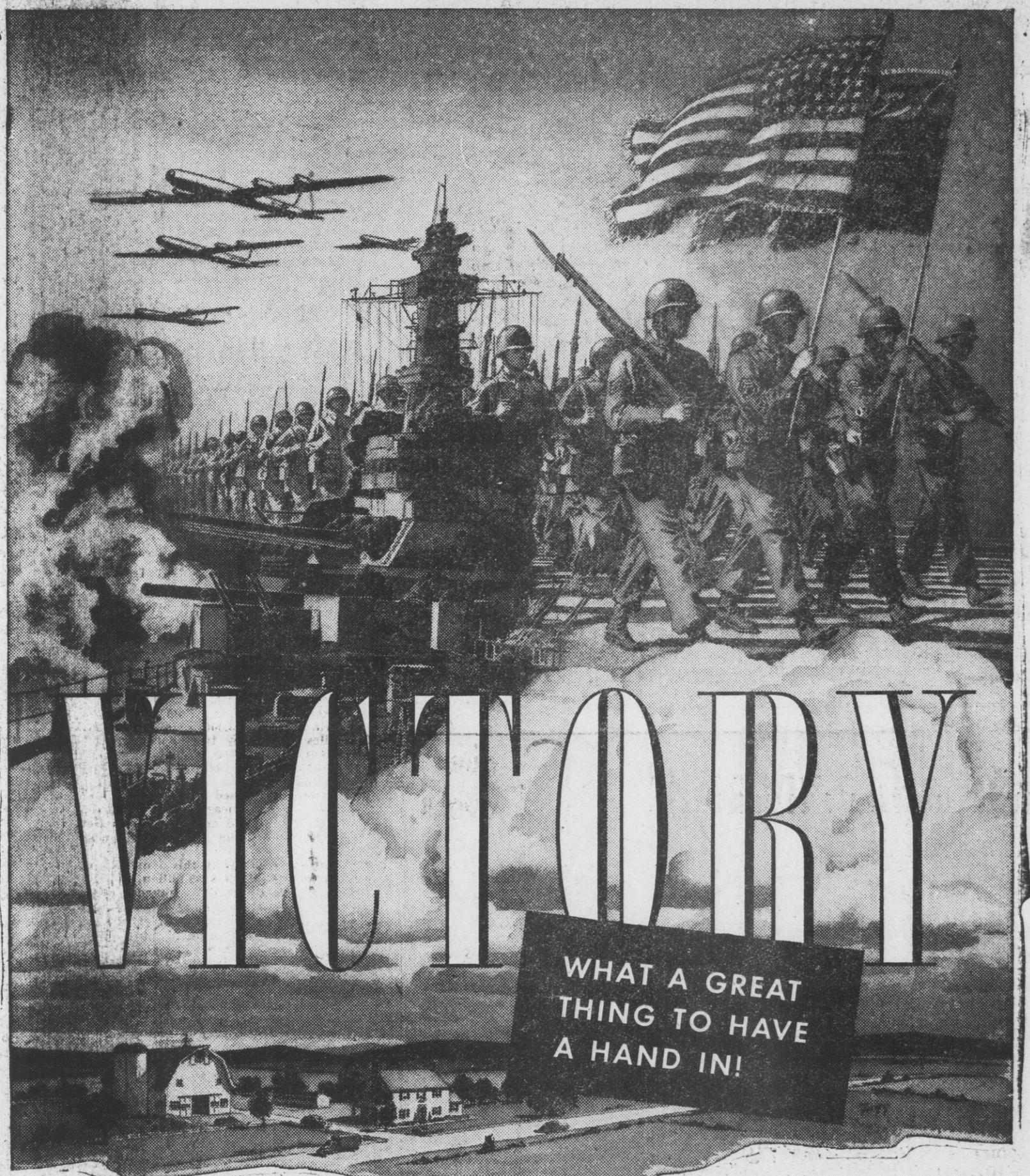
Tobin charged the milk companies were attempting to cut out deliveries altogether. About 35,000 union members in the industry are being released from the armed forces, he said, and the present delivery system will not make it possible for milk firms to give employment to all who worked in the industry under the daily-delivery system.

Says Security Essential for Free Enterprise

Chicago, Illinois. More liberal social security must be provided for the workers of America if "free enterprise" is to survive. That warning was sounded by Chairman A. J. Altmeier of the Social Security Board in an address here to a large audience of business men at a meeting of the Chicago Association of Commerce.

Mine Workers' Editor Gets Write-Up in Post

Washington, D. C. When a labor editor becomes the subject of a major article in a national magazine—it's news. Editor K. C. Adams of the United Mine Workers Journal is the subject of a 5000-word piece in a forthcoming issue of the Saturday Evening Post. The author is Elsie Morrow, wife of a Philadelphia newspaperman and former Washington correspondent.



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BAKERS 24—Meets 3rd Saturday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main, at 5 p.m. Pres. Judson F. Flint, 201 Archer, phone 3298. Secy. Louie Grasso, 251 Clay St., phone 8819. Bus. Agent, Hans Top, 1128 Laurie Ave., San Jose, phone Ballard 6341. Office at 72 N. Second St., San Jose, phone Ballard 5341.

BARTENDERS 545—Meets 3rd Monday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main, at 8 p.m. Pres. John Durnell, 533 E. Alisal, Secretary, Leon J. Smith, 117 Main St., phone 4302.

BARTENDERS 545—Meets 1st Monday at 2 p.m. and 3rd Monday at 8 p.m. at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts. Pres. Eddie Rose, Secretary and Business Agent, Karl E. Hess, Office at Teamsters Hall, phone 6208.

BUTCHERS UNION 506 (Salinas Branch)—Pres. Geo. Gilbert; Vice Pres. Bill Steinmueller; Fin. Sec. Harry Boch; Rec. Sec. Jim Ellington (Earl) Moorhead, Exec. Sec. office phone 3298. Columbia 2132. Del Monte Ave.

CARPENTERS 925—Meets first and third Tuesdays at 7:30. Carpenters Hall, North Main St. Pres. Roy Willis; Vice-Pres. T. Timmerman, Bus. Agt. George Harter; Sec. H. L. Taft, 243 Clay St., Phone 4246.

TECHS. R. L. Thurman 5 First Ave.; Rec. Sec. Amos Schafheit.

CARPENTERS AUXILIARY 373—Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday at Carpenters Hall at 8 p.m. President, Mrs. Ed Francis; Vice-Pres. President, Mrs. Ray Luna; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aubrey Cunningham; Treasurer, Mrs. Mark Pilliar; Warden, Mrs. Bert Nelson; Conductor, Mrs. Earl Elmon.

CULINARY ALLIANCE 467—No regular meetings scheduled, and subject only to call. Secretary Bertha A. Boles, Office at Teamsters Hall, Main and John Sts., phone 6209.

ENGINEERS (OPERATING) 165—Meets 2nd Monday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts., at 8 p.m. Pres. C. R. Ingerson, P.O. Box 2, Freedom, Secretary, Harry Vosburgh, 404 California St., Salinas, phone 4972.

INTERNATIONAL ALLIANCE OF THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS, LOCAL 611—Meets first Tuesday every other month 10 a.m. in Watsonville Labor Temple; Pres. Art Reina, 605 Mae Ave., Phone Salinas 9795; Bus. Agent James Wilson, 80 Peyton St., Santa Cruz, phone 1216; Rec. Sec. Chas. Covey, 364 Walnut Ave., Santa Cruz.

INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS Local Union 243—Meets the first Tuesday in each month at the Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., at 8:00 p.m. C. B. Phillips, Bus. Mgr. Phone 3361, 25 Harvest St. E. M. Bills, Pres. Phone 6524.

HOD CARRIERS AND LABORERS UNION 272—Meets second Monday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at 117 Pajaro St. R. Fenchel, Pres., 17 Railroad Ave.; J. F. Mattos, Sec., 104 Lang St., Salinas; J. B. McGinley, Bus. Agent, office at 117 Pajaro St.

LATHERS UNION NO. 463—Meets in Salinas Labor Temple second and fourth Fridays, 8 p.m. President, Roy R. Bengt, Hilby St., Monterey, Phone Monterey 4820; Sec-Treas. Dean S. Sieferd, 526 Park St., Salinas, phone 9223.

MONTEREY COUNTY CENTRAL LABOR UNION—Meets every Friday evening at 8:00 p.m. at Teamsters' Hall, John and Main Sts.; W. G. Kenyon, Sec.-Treas., Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts., phone 4893; home phone 5359. Pres. F. H. L. Sprague, ph. 3863. Labor Council Negotiation Committee: Albert Harris, Main and John Sts., ph. 4983; Geo. Harter, Carpenters Hall, 422 N. Main St., ph. 5721;

OPERATIVE PLASTERERS AND CEMENT FINISHERS OF SALINAS: AND MONTEREY COUNTY, LOCAL UNION NO. 763—Meets second and fourth Friday of the month at 8:00 p.m., at Rodeo Cafe Fred Randon, Secretary, 31 Buena Vista, Salinas, Phone 1423; Pres. Don Fink.

PAINTERS 1104—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts., at 7:30 p.m., Pres. Donald McBeth, 1014 Le Costa St., phone 4126. Secretary and Business Agent, Dennis Hartman, 614 Mae Ave., phone 8783.

PLUMBERS AND STEAM FITTERS UNION Local 503—Meets second Wednesday of each month, 8:00 p.m., Salinas Labor Temple, Pres. Orlin Border; Recording Secretary, William Farr; Financial Secretary, Erwin Goodson, Office at 215 E. Alisal St., Phone 3463. Executive Board meets each Tuesday night at Labor Temple.

POSTAL CARRIERS 1046—Meets every 3rd Monday alternately at homes of members at 8:30 p.m. President, L. E. Pierce, 43 Romeo Lane, phone 3173. Secretary, H. C. Schrike, 636 El Camino Real, phone 7080.

PRESSMEN 328—Meets last Tuesday of month, alternating between Salinas and Watsonville, Pres. Milo Wingard, 339 West St., Salinas, Secretary, Milo Martella, 228 Monterey St., Salinas.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Monterey at 411½ Alvarado St., and at Salinas at 117 Pajaro St. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres. John Alsop, P.O. Box 317, Pacific Grove, phone 7825. Fin. and Rec. Secy., F. F. Knowles, 232 River St., Santa Cruz, phone 1276-J. Bus. Agent for Salinas area, J. B. McGinley, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 6777. Bus. Agent for Monterey, L. T. Long, 411½ Alvarado St., Monterey.

STATE, COUNTY, MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES 420—Meets on call at Labor Temple, President, H. E. Lyons, 15 West Street, Secretary, R. M. Allen, 124 East Alisal Street, Salinas.

SUGAR REFINERY WORKERS 20616—President, J. Collins; Secretary-treasurer, R. MacRossie; Recording secretary, H. Dies. Meet in Forrester's Hall, Salinas, 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7:30 p.m.

GENERAL TEAMSTERS AND AUTO TRUCK DRIVERS' UNION, LOCAL NO. 287—Meets first Wednesday in Oct., Jan., April, July at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts., Salinas, phone 7590.

INTERNATIONAL ALLIANCE OF THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS, LOCAL 611—Meets first Tuesday every other month at 10 a.m. in Watsonville Labor Temple; Pres. Art Reina, 605 Mae Ave., Phone Salinas 9795; Bus. Agent, James Wilson, 80 Peyton St., Santa Cruz, phone 1216; Rec. Sec., Chas. Covey, 346 Walnut Ave., Santa Cruz; phone 167.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION NO. 543—R. C. Sprague, Salinas, Pres.; A. C. Davis, Sec.-Treas., 109 Prospect St., Watsonville. Meets last Sunday, alternating between Watsonville and Salinas.

UNITED SLATE, TILE & COMPOSITION ROOFERS, DAMP & WATERPROOF WORKERS ASSOCIATION 50—Meets 3rd Friday, 8 p.m., Watsonville Labor Temple; Pres. E. E. Lehr, 142-11th St., Pacific Grove, Sec., Frank Walker, 327 Alexander St., Salinas, phone 9668.

WAREHOUSEMEN 890—Meets first Tuesday night at Teamsters' Hall, John and Main streets. Office at same address, phone 4893. President, Albert Harris, Secretary, W. G. Kenyon. Financial secretary and business representative, Peter A. Andrade.

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THIS MAY MEAN YOU! Job Benefits for 'Picket' Jobless Can Be Collected

(Release from office of California State Federation of Labor)

San Francisco, California.

Due to garbled releases in the newspapers as a result of strikes, many doubts have arisen in the minds of workers as to their rights to unemployment insurance benefits in the course of a trade dispute. To clear up this question, the Federation wishes to explain several signal court decisions pertaining to this matter.

Brother A. B. Hicks, Roofers L. U. 50, introduced Brother Duke Austin, who is to replace Brother Hicks as a delegate to the Council. It was moved and seconded that Brother Duke Austin be seated as a delegate to the B. & C. T. C.—Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received a report from the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, explaining the dispute in Hollywood.

Copy of minutes from the Monterey Peninsula Central Labor Council.

Letter from State B. & C. T. C. of California, calling attention to the liability of a local council in case of accident involving a representative when employed as such. It was moved and seconded that the Council take out in insurance to protect the B. & C. T. C. of Monterey County. (Carried.)

A letter from the Building and Construction Trades Department of the AFL, states that the Wage Stabilization Agreement of May 22, 1942 with the Department of Labor was withdrawn as of Nov. 18, 1945. The letter follows:

October 26, 1945

Presidents, National and International Unions

Secretaries, Building and Construction Trades Councils affiliated with the Building and Construction Trades Department, AFL.

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

The Executive Council had under consideration the termination date of the Stabilization Agreement which was entered into August 1, 1941, at its October 10-13, 1945 meeting and it was the decision of the Executive Council that this Agreement should be withdrawn as of November 18, 1945.

The question of overtime rates and other working conditions which were changed by the Stabilization Agreement will be a subject for National and International union and local unions to adjust with their employers.

The Wage Stabilization Agreement which was entered into May 22, 1942 between the National and International Unions in affiliation with this Department and the Department of Labor was also cancelled and withdrawn effective as of November 18, 1945. No cases will be received by the Wage Adjustment Board after October 27, 1945.

Fraternally yours,
HERBERT RIVERS,
Secretary-Treasurer

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES DEPT., AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR.

An award to the Plumbers the laying of lateral sewer from the main to dwelling or from inside property line to dwelling.

Received a letter from the B. & C. T. C. Dept. with instructions not to allow the affiliation of any local union whose International is not a component part of the B. & C. T. C. Dept.

Received an authorized wage scale for building craftsmen for the construction of War Housing project in Monterey County.

Copy of minutes from the B. & C. T. C. of Santa Clara County.

A letter from the U. S. Treasury Dept. requesting support of the Victory Loan drive.

Two newsletters from the California State Federation of Labor.

A newsletter from the Northern California Union Health Committee.

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

Brother Long reports twelve new homes started in the past two weeks. Three all metal warehouse buildings in Salinas area, two garages and several repair jobs. There is a demand for carpenters, plumbers, sheet metal men and laborers. The report was accepted.

REPORTS OF UNIONS

Brother D. Z. O'Neill, Plumbers—Good meeting; find some of the little shops where no men are employed working all hours in violation of local agreements.

Brother C. Verbert, Teamsters L.U. 287—All men are employed and they will meet again next Thursday.

Brother Garrett, Electric Workers 102—Held a good meeting. They have a committee working for a wage adjustment. The local is progressing nicely with an apprenticeship and refresher course for journeymen.

Brother W. T. Evans, Carpenter 1323—Good meeting and set up a committee for a wage adjustment.

Brother Alson, Sheet Metal Workers 204—Will meet Friday Nov. 3 in Salinas.

NEW BUSINESS

The secretary was directed to instruct the representative of the B. & C. T. C. in Salinas to see that the Council is protected with insurance.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m. L. T. LONG, Secy.

DAFFYNITIONS: Brief steak, what you get at the butchers these days. Sergeant, a three striped despot of the Army. Madshipman, a sailor who doesn't get shore leave.

YOUR CONGRESSMAN REPORTS



By
GEORGE E. OUTLAND

It is awesome and deeply moving to contemplate some of the accomplishments of the human race. Man has found fire, invented the wheel, learned to write and print books, built skyscrapers, discovered life-giving drugs. Recently we learned of a new energy created by splitting atoms—an energy so much greater than anything we have ever known that it is beyond our comprehension.

Thus, we in the United States now hold in our hands a force that is able to destroy civilization or make civilization a finer thing than we have ever dreamed it might be.

And now we in Congress are faced with a frightening yet challenging responsibility. It is up to us to decide what America will do henceforth with this tremendous new power that has been created. If we move falsely, the future destruction of civilization may very well be a crime upon our heads.

The delegates unanimously re-elected Pres. William L. McFetridge, Sec. Treas. William H. Cooper and six vice-presidents. New vice-presidents are John Goodman, secretary-treasurer of New York Local 44, and Charles C. Levy of Pittsburgh.

Anti-administration forces led by Pres. David Sullivan of Local 32-B, New York, did not put up any candidates. Sullivan's group met a setback at the opening session when a rank-and-file delegation from Local 32-B was seated with voting power equal to the Sullivan delegation. The rank-and-file workers had accused Sullivan of using trickery in the election of delegates.

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In any area covered by the above, the bill gives the Commission unlimited power to sue, buy and sell property, condemn mineral deposits and mines, create corporations, and take over all sources of atomic energy and over all matters connected with research on the transmutation of the atomic species, the production of nuclear fission and the release of atomic energy."

The bill deems it unlawful to refine, process or utilize in any manner, uranium and related chemical substances without licensed consent from the Commission. It would also be unlawful to export or import these minerals.

Further, the bill states that it will be unlawful for any person "to conduct research or experimentation involving the release of atomic energy . . . without the consent of the Administrator." Penalties for violating the Act or any of the Commission's orders are severe.

A BETTER BILL

It is my opinion that there are some inadequacies in the present bill that might some day prove dangerous to the security of our own country and the world.

The bill must insure that scientists will not find themselves so limited by the dictates of the Commission that research is stymied.

We would be first to lose if our scientists could not continue their work and the interchange of essential information Dr. Oppenheimer, who directed the atomic bomb laboratories in New Mexico stressed this before a Senate Committee.

The Government should more clearly

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To all Employees in the Ice Industry: Negotiations have been opened for your new agreement and you will be called into a special meeting in the near future to be informed on what progress is being made.

To all produce drivers: As you know there has been a move on the part of your Union to bring about a full consolidation of the lettuce shed workers in the Watsonville, Hollister and Salinas areas. Many times we have been approached and committed from the various sheds have come to our office asking that something be done to get them out from under the yoke of the CIO that they may come under the protection of the powerful and democratic union of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, with their own charter, their own executive officers and business agents.

It is not the intention of the officers of Local 890 of the American Federation of Labor to raid any union. We have only come forward at the request of many packers and trimmers and other workers in the shed to bring an election to the people that they might exercise their democratic rights to vote for a union of their own choosing.

Bob McKay, International representative of the CIO, in a radio broadcast last Tuesday evening invited the produce drivers to come into the CIO and to sign a membership pledge in that union. It is

NOTICE!
All men employed in the Watsonville ice industry are urged to attend a special call meeting at the Watsonville Labor Temple Wednesday, November 14 at 9:30 p.m. Purpose of this meeting is to draw up a contract to be submitted to the industry. It is imperative that you attend!

needless to say or quote that what Bob McKay, CIO, offered is false.

The produce drivers voted themselves the provisions of the contract now in effect for them in the lettuce industry not at one meeting but several at which time they were given the full report of all negotiations. You gained the union shop and also union recognition for loader-driver, silver king, and bug drivers used in the harvesting of produce between the field and packing shed. Your wages were tested and going rate of one dollar per hour plus time and one-half over ten hours as set by the WLB.

The CIO claims wage increase for their shed workers. This is not true. The women receive eighty cents per hour, packers one dollar per hour. The \$1.40 to \$2.00 per hour as stated by McKay being received by shed workers is incentive pay where the workers drive themselves into high gear for a couple of dollars extra per day if they work a full day, but let some other person or a new worker get in a job and cannot keep the pace at breakneck speed and see if there is

We are happy to notify our members, however, that Frances Dougwell, our former office secretary, is back with us. Her health has been regained after a long rest in San Jose. Her return to our Salinas office is deeply appreciated.

We are happy to repeat that Sister Ophelia Escarcega is recovering from an appendicitis operation.

Ophelia works in the millroom department.

We see Tony Cadei, maintenance mechanic, mixing beverages in a downtown spot.

Shop Stewardess Sarah Imes is in a dither. Not one, but two flat tires. Gwen Porter was on the job right away with the OPA to aid her in getting a couple of tires.

We expect to see this rationing of tires taken off soon.

Ruby O'Neill is back on the job after a bad seige of sinus trouble.

Pay your dues on or before the fifteenth of the month. Wear your union buttons. Don't forget to make your contributions to the war chest.

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